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To: SACs, Dallas (100-10461) (Enc 2)
New York (Enc 2)

From: Director, FBI (103-82355)

LEE HARVEY OSWALD, AKA
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Enclosed for Dallas and New York is one copy of a self-explanatory undated letter from the President's Commission which was received at the Bureau on 7/29/64. This letter concerns the appearance of Attorney Mark Lane on the Barry Gray Radio Program over Station WJLA in New York City. Also enclosed is a verbatim transcription of that part of the radio program pertinent to the Commission's request.

A copy of the taperecordings furnished by the Commission have been made for retention in Bureau files and a verbatim transcription of the entire program will be prepared at the Bureau and furnished for the information of New York and review and analysis by Dallas in the immediate future.

The alleged witness to the Tippitt shooting specified in the Commission's letter could not be identified at the Bureau based on the information supplied by Lane in the taperecording. Dallas is instructed to immediately comply with the Commission's request and review all investigation relating to the Tippitt slaying and endeavor to identify the witness referred to. The results of this review should be incorporated in an appropriate letterhead memorandum for dissemination to the Commission insuring that the specific questions raised by the Commission are suitably answered. Any other information which would have a bearing on this matter or tend to clarify, refute or substantiate Lane's allegation should of course be included in the letterhead memorandum. Since your letterhead memorandum will be furnished to the Commission, no subsequent reporting of this matter is desired.

1 - 62-109060 (Assassination of President Kennedy)
1 - 62-109090 (President's Commission)

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Airtel to SACs Dallas and New York
RE: LEE HARVEY OSWALD

You will note that the enclosed excerpts from the tape-recording tend to indicate that Lane will play a recording of this "new" witness on the radio program, however the tape actually played is of a conversation of Lane with Helen Markham which the Commission is aware of.

Any developments indicating possible embarrassment to the Bureau as a result of this request should be furnished to the Bureau expeditiously.

New York through its sources should endeavor to determine if Lane is scheduled to appear on any of Gray's future programs. If Lane is to appear, appropriate arrangements should be made to tape the program and prepare a verbatim transcription for the information of Dallas and the Bureau. The source of the taperecordings or the date of the Gray program is unknown to the Bureau. The taperecording runs for approximately 52 minutes and 20 seconds and relates entirely to the assassination.

NOTE: The let and tapes obtained from Attorney N. Redlich, 4:30 pm, 7/29/64 and hand delivered by SA Cortlandt Cunningham. Lane is the oft-married, former NY Assemblyman, who reportedly engaged in perverted sexual acts of a sadistic and masochistic nature. He is reported closely associated with CP dominated organizations and has traveled about the country making speeches on the assassination.

Tapes dubbed by SA B. P. Fisher and monitored by SA R. D. Rogge on 7/29/64. Tapes contain the same biased, maliciously calculated half-truths and theories proferted by Lane since the assassination to prove Oswald was "framed" and that the Government, particularly the FBI, concealed, tampered with and altered evidence. The Commission request is based on Lane's allegation he furnished us the identity of "another" witness who saw two men participate in Tippitt's murder. He allegedly interviewed this witness several times but she has not been called before the Commission. Based on info available to the Bureau, no such story has been received and the identity of the witness is unknown. The original Commission tapes will be returned per its request at the time it is furnished the results of our investigation.

The dubbed tapes prepared by the Bureau, currently being transcribed, will be made a part of this serial when completed.

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